UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

CAROL MELTON,

Plaintiff,

Index No. 19 CV 09755 (VB)

ANSWER TO COMPLAINT

-against-

POUGHKEEPSIE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT,

Defendant.

Defendant Poughkeepsie City School District (hereinafter referred to as "District"), by its attorneys, Shaw, Perelson, May & Lambert, LLP, as and for its Answer to the Complaint, states:

- 1. Admits the allegations at paragraphs numbered I A, B and C of the Complaint.
- 2. Admits the allegations at paragraph numbered II of the Complaint.
- 3. Denies the allegations at paragraphs numbered III A, C and D of the Complaint.
- 4. Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations at paragraph numbered IV of the Complaint.
- 5. As and for its answer to the allegations at paragraph numbered III E and the attached "ATTACHMENT A . . . Facts" to the Complaint thereof, denies the allegations at paragraphs numbered 1 through 12 thereof.
- 6. As and for its answer to the allegations at paragraph numbered V and the attached "ATTACHMENT B . . . Injuries" to the Complaint thereof, denies the allegations therein.
- 7. As and for its answer to the allegations at paragraph numbered V and the attached "ATTACHMENT C . . . Relief" to the Complaint thereof, denies the allegations therein.

AS AND FOR A FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The Complaint fails to state a claim upon which the relief sought in the Complaint may

be granted.

AS AND FOR A SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The Plaintiff has failed to exhaust her administrative remedies as concerns her claims of

unlawful discrimination or retaliation.

AS AND FOR A THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The Plaintiff failed to timely commence this action within 90 days of receipt of a notice

of right to sue.

WHEREFORE, the defendant respectfully requests that the Court render an Order

denying the relief sought in the Complaint and granting the defendant such other and further

relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

Dated: Poughkeepsie, New York

July 22, 2020

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